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# Wrap-up

### Duke Energy to build clean coal power plant in Indiana

Nov. 20, 2007- The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission unanimously approved Duke Energy Indiana's application to construct a 630-megawatt clean coal power plant in Edwardsport. The facility will use integrated gasification combined cycle technology to produce nearly four times as much power as the existing plant at Edwardsport, with much less environmental impact.

"I'm delighted with this outcome. Edwardsport will be the state's first new baseload plant in almost 20 years and the first plan on this scale to be built in America using this new clean coal technology," said Governor Daniels. "It will bring jobs to Southwest Indiana and badly needed homegrown power to catch us up with the needs of a growing economy."

Over a three-year period, an average of 800 to 900 construction workers will be needed, with a peak workforce of 2,000. Ongoing plant operations would employ approximately 100 people.



Nov. 20, 2007- The governor visits with sixth grade students from St. Thomas Aquinas School at the Governor's Residence.

## Indiana State Poultry Association donates poultry products to food banks

Nov. 19, 2007- Governor Mitch Daniels and Lt. Governor Becky Skillman presented more than 72,000 pounds of donated Indiana poultry products to Shepherd Community Center in Indianapolis and food banks around the state in time for the holidays. This is the 60th year the Indiana State Poultry Association (ISPA) and other associated groups have assembled donations for the state.

"We have so much to give thanks for in this nation and in the state," said Governor Daniels. "Thanksgiving is a great time to highlight both our blessings and the blessings that the agriculture industry brings to us."

"During this time of holiday giving, we make it our mission to serve our Hoosier friends and neighbors

who sometimes go without food," said Lt. Governor Skillman. "Our agriculture partners in the poultry industry are demonstrating their dedication to our state by contributing to our economy and our communities. These donations are much needed and we thank them for their generosity."

The Indiana State Poultry Association and associated groups have traveled to Indianapolis every year since 1947 to make these donations. Originally, the event featured a presentation of Indiana poultry products to the governor and the lieutenant governor for distribution among their immediate staff. Later, the practice of donating the poultry products to charity began. In 2006, 12 firms participated, donating more than 32,000 pounds of chicken, turkey, duck and eggs.



Nov. 19, 2007- Governor Daniels attempts to guess the weight of a turkey presented to the state by Paul Brennan, executive director of the Indiana State Poultry Association.

Read the news release.

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To visit Governor Daniels' Web site, click <u>here</u>.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES**

### C & K Tool

Nov. 19, 2007- C & K Tool, a provider of precision machining services to the auto, medical and aerospace industries, announced it will expand its operations in Angola, creating more than 65 new jobs by 2010.

The company will invest more than \$3 million to add new equipment and a new clean room to its Growth Parkway facility, creating new capacity for its medical and aerospace services.

"This expansion is a great growth opportunity for northeastern Indiana and an indication of the quality workforce available to companies who choose to call Indiana home," said Governor Mitch Daniels.

Read the news release.

### **Marine Builders, Inc.**

Nov. 21, 2007- Executives from custom watercraft designer and manufacturer Marine Builders, Inc. announced the company's plans to more than double its workforce in Utica, creating 93 new jobs by 2010.

The company, which specializes in designing and building custom workboats, barges, tugs, dry docks and yachts, will invest more than \$1.9 million to build and equip a new 10,000 square foot addition to its southeast Indiana manufacturing facility.

Read the news release.

### Baekgaard, Ltd.

Nov. 19, 2007- Baekgaard, Ltd., a leading designer and distributor of home furnishings and accessories, announced it will exponentially grow its operations in Fort Wayne, creating more than 55 new jobs.

The company will invest more than \$3.6 million to build and equip its new corporate headquarters and distribution center in Silverado Industrial Park in southwest Allen County.

"More than anything else, job growth depends on building an environment that's favorable for business," said Nathan Feltman, Secretary of Commerce and chief executive officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. "Baekgaard's expansion is a great sign that the environment we have created is allowing Hoosier businesses to grow and thrive."

Read the news release.

### **Quality Trailer Products**

Nov. 19, 2007- Quality Trailer Products, a subsidiary of Minnesota-based tank trailer manufacturer Polar Corporation, announced it will locate its first Midwest manufacturing facility in Angola, creating 27 new jobs by 2010.

The manufacturer and distributor of trailer fenders and axles for the small utility trailer business will begin hiring welders, metal fabricators and sales professionals in 2008 to staff its 20,000-square-foot manufacturing facility.

"More and more companies are recognizing that Indiana is a great place to do business," said Gov. Daniels. "We're glad Quality Trailer selected Indiana for its first Midwest operation."

Read the news release.

### **Supreme Building Technologies**

Nov. 19, 2007- Supreme Building Technologies, a start-up commercial construction company, announced today it will locate its headquarters and manufacturing operations in Angola, creating 60 new jobs by 2010.

The company, which specializes in the build out of commercial buildings and manufacturing of small modular buildings for the food and beverage industry, will locate its 85,000 square-foot headquarters and manufacturing operations in Steuben County.

"Supreme Building Technologies is an innovative, home-grown Indiana company that has the potential to create great new opportunities for Northeast Indiana," said Governor Daniels.

Read the news release.

### A look ahead...

On Tuesday, Governor Daniels will receive an award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation in recognition of Indiana's progress in child welfare reform.